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For: ROOF MODULE FOR A MOTOR VEHICLE)

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Sir:

I, Jean-Guy Cocaign, declare that:

1. I am the inventor of the above-captioned patent application.
2. The attached drawings (labeled Exhibits A-F) are true and accurate copies of drawings prepared on 23 June 2000 and from which a prototype was built in accordance with the invention claimed in the above-captioned patent application.
3. The prototype referred to in paragraph 2 above was successfully tested on July 3, 2000.
4. These drawings show all of the claimed elements of my invention as reflected by the element number (or location description) and Exhibit in which the element appears

that has been inserted in parentheses in the following copy of claim 1 of my above-captioned patent application:

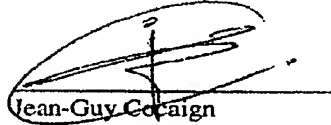
1. Roof module (Exhibits A & C) for closing an opening in a roof of a motor vehicle that extends transversely between two lateral roof elements (shown in broken lines in Exhibit B) and in a lengthwise direction between a front roof element (shown in broken lines at left end of Section X2653.8 in Exhibit C) and a rear roof element (shown in broken lines at left end of Section X2573.9 in Exhibit C), and the lateral roof elements, the front roof element and the rear roof element each having a peripheral rabbet (Exhibits B & C) on edges thereof which border the opening, the roof module comprising:

- a glass pane (01 in Exhibits E & F) adapted for permanent connection directly to the peripheral rabbets which border the opening (an adhesive bead being shown attaching the glass pane to the rabbets, e.g., in Section YO Avant in Exhibit F),
- a darkening device (13 in Section YO in Exhibits E & F) which is deployable parallel to an inside surface of the glass pane,
- guide means (shown to the right of vertical line Y-400 in Exhibit B) for guiding the darkening device, the guide means being permanently mounted directly on the inside surface of the glass pane along each of opposite side edges of the glass pane, the guide means interacting with edges of the darkening device,
- a support brace (12 shown near the right end in Exhibit A, in Section Y-31.9 of Exhibit D and in section YO of Exhibit F) mounted on the inside surface along one of front and rear transverse edges of the glass pane, the support brace having a motor drive (90 in Section YO in Exhibits E & F) for driving the darkening device.

All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, all statements made herein on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable

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Date: July 11, 2005

  
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